


# ALEPPO



## ALEPPO TEMPLE CEREMONIAL

NOV. 6<sup>TH</sup>  
1925



# Aleppo Temple

ANCIENT ARABIC ORDER NOBLES *of the* MYSTIC SHRINE

===== OASIS OF BOSTON =====

## *Fall Ceremonial*

in honor of our

Imperial Potentate, JAMES C. BURGER

will be held in Mechanics Building, Huntington Avenue,  
Oasis of Boston, on the 19th day of Rabi'ul Akhir,  
the 4th month of the Mohammedan year 1344, which  
when translated means

Friday, November 6, 1925

DOORS OPEN AT 5 P.M.

TEMPLE OPENS AT 6 P.M.

Garrison St. Elevated Car Stop

CANDIDATES' ENTRANCE, WEST NEWTON STREET, 5 P.M.

*Lunch 5 till 7*

### CONCERT 5 TO 6 P.M. by ALEPPO TEMPLE BAND

Bandmaster, NOBLE THOMAS M. CARTER

1. THE AMERICAN HYMN . . . . . Mathias Keller

Speed our Republic, O Father on high!  
Lead us in pathways of justice and right,  
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Hail! three times hail, to our country and flag!

2. OVERTURE — "The Beautiful Galatea" . . . . . Franz von Suppe

3. VALSE ESPAGNOLE — "La Madrileña" . . . . . Alb. Vaulet

4. SELECTION — "Rose Marie" . . . . . Rudolf Frim'l

5. MARCHE ORIENTALE — "Promenade du Khalife" . . . . . V. Turine

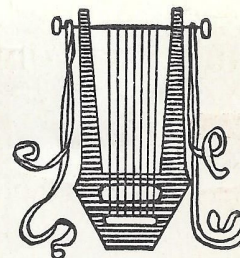
6. ARIA FOR EUPHONIUM, from "Rebekah" — "The Soft Southern Breeze"

Noble J. William LaLonde

Joseph Barnby

7. MORCEAU — "Crossing the Hot Sands" . . . . . Sherifal Nawbati

8. MARCH — "Our Governor" . . . . . Jean M. Missud



ATTEST:

*Edna C. Wells*  
Recorder.

*Walter W. Morrison*  
Potentate.



# Imperial Council Proceedings

of  
June 2, 3 and 4, at Los Angeles

**D**ISPENSATION was granted to the petitioners for a Temple to be located at Cumberland, Md., to be called Ali Gahn Temple. Charter was granted to Tadmor Temple, located at Akron, Ohio.

The following changes were made in the Laws:

To amend Article IX, Section 2, of the By-Laws by replacing said section and enacting in lieu thereof the following section, to be known as Section 2:

**SECTION 2.** The Red Turkish Fez with Black Tassel, bearing only the name of the Temple of which the Noble is an active member, with a facsimile of a scimitar and that portion of the jewel of the Order consisting of the crescent, sphinx head and star combined embroidered thereon with gold and silver bullion or silk, is hereby adopted as the exclusive type of head covering to be worn by all Nobles of the Mystic Shrine when appearing as such. This fez is to be worn in its proper shape and without creasing or alteration, provided, it is permissible for Potentates, Past Potentates and Records of Temples to have their title embroidered in small letters in front of their fez near the bottom.

To amend Article II of the Code by enacting the following section, to be known as Section 13:

**SECTION 13.** It shall be unlawful for any Temple or any organization connected therewith or under its control, or any group of its members, or any member acting for or on behalf of a Temple to take part in, promote or engage in any type of gambling, raffling, or any lottery enterprise.

Any Temple violating or countenancing the violation of this section shall have its charter arrested, and any Noble violating this section shall be subject to discipline.

To amend Article VI, Section 2, of the By-Laws, by repealing said Section 2, and enacting in lieu thereof a new section, to be known as Section 2, of said Article VI:

**SECTION 2.** In each Temple of the Order the annual dues shall not be less than ten (\$10.00) dollars, to be paid in advance by all members of the Temple, except life members and including candidates received during the year.

Any Temple may provide by its By-Laws that candidates admitted to the Temple shall pay dues as follows: Between January 1st and March 31st, \$10.00; between April 1st and June 30th, \$7.50; between July 1st and September 30th, \$5.00; between October 1st and December 31st, \$2.50; which proportionate amounts shall constitute the dues of the candidate to December 31st of the current year. If any Temple has dues higher than \$10.00 per annum, candidates shall pay proportionately in the above ratio.

To amend Article IV, Section 2, of the Code, by repealing said section and enacting in lieu thereof the following Section, to be known as Section 2, of said Article IV:

**SECTION 2.** The printing, circulating or distribution of resolutions, letters, tickets, or other devices, by a Noble, or Nobles, suggesting or recommending, or containing the names of proposed candidates for office in the Temple, is hereby prohibited. For any violation of this section the Imperial Potentate shall suspend the offending Noble, or Nobles, until the next regular session of the Imperial Council, and he may in his own judgment declare such election of such offending officer or officers void and order a new election.

The Records of Temples must mail a notice of the annual meeting and election to all members of the Temples at least one week prior to the date of said election, and said notice shall contain this Section.

To amend Article XII of the Code by repealing paragraph five thereof and enacting the following paragraph in lieu thereof:

When a change is authorized by the Imperial Council affecting the Constitution, By-Laws, or Code, and such change affects the By-Laws of any Temple, the By-Laws of the Temple so affected shall ipso facto become automatically changed to conform with the law of the Imperial Council, and it shall be the duty of every Temple at once to make such changes in their By-Laws upon receiving a printed copy of the proceedings of the Imperial Council

from the Imperial Recorder, and thereupon the Recorder of the Temple shall send to the Imperial Recorder a properly certified copy showing that such change has been made, and in such case it shall not be necessary to send copies to the Imperial Potentate and the Committee on Jurisprudence and Laws, for approval and confirmation.

To amend Article II of the Code, by enacting the following section, to be known as Section 14:

**SECTION 14.** The use of the word "Noble," "Shriner" or any variation thereof, or any term, sign or symbol of the Order for commercial or other business enterprises, is prohibited.

Any Noble violating this law may be suspended or expelled from the Order. Should the Temple of which the offender is a member not take action, the Imperial Potentate may suspend such offender until the next regular session of the Imperial Council, at which session the suspension may be made permanent.

Any Temple neglecting to take action in such case is subject to having its charter arrested by the Imperial Potentate.

Provided, however, that this section shall not apply to those who are regularly engaged in dealing in standard Shrine supplies, uniforms, regalia and emblems.

To amend Article XIII, Section 3, of the Code, by repealing said section and enacting in lieu thereof the following section, to be known as Section 3:

A Noble of the Mystic Shrine holding a demit from a legal Temple may affiliate with some Temple within the jurisdiction in which he is an actual resident, and in which he has been a resident for at least six months.

Actual residence is defined to mean the place in which the petitioner in good faith makes his home.

To amend Article I of the Code, by enacting the following section, to be known as Section 12:

When a Dispensation for a new Temple shall have been refused by the Imperial Council, no further application therefor shall be made until three years shall have elapsed.

To amend Article VI, Section 1, of the Code, by striking out the word "two" in the seventh line thereof and substituting therefor the word "four," so that when amended said section shall read as follows:

**SECTION 1.** The Illustrious Potentate is especially charged to see that the By-Laws of his Temple are duly observed, as well as the Constitution, regulations and edicts of the Imperial Council; that accurate records are kept and just accounts are rendered; that regular returns are made to the Imperial Council; that the annual dues are promptly paid; that no fewer than four stated sessions are held annually, one of which shall be held in January. He shall see that a copy of each printed notice issued by his Temple to its members shall be mailed to the Imperial Potentate as soon as the same is sent to the members of the Temple.

That Article XII of the Code be amended by adding the following paragraph:

The By-Laws of all Temples shall provide for at least four stated sessions to be held during the year, and the time of such session shall be fixed by said By-Laws. One of said stated sessions shall be held in January of each year.

To amend Article XII, Section 1, of the Constitution by repealing the last paragraph thereof and enacting in lieu thereof the following:

No Temple shall hold a session for business or ceremonial, or permit any Shrine activity on the Sabbath Day, commonly known as Sunday.

To amend Article VI, Section 3, of the By-Laws, by amending said Section by adding after the words "life members" on lines 4 and 6 the words "members restored or affiliated," so that the Section when amended will read:

**SECTION 3.** In addition to the above annual dues, each Temple shall collect two (\$2.00) dollars per capita from each of its members, including candidates received during the year and life members, members restored or affiliated, each year, to be paid in advance for the Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children, and



no card shall be issued to any member, including candidates received during the year and life members, members restored or affiliated, unless this per capita is paid, together with the annual dues, if any, required by the Temple. Etc., etc.

To amend Section 5, Article III, of the Constitution, by adding the following paragraph as a part thereof:

That hereafter all Honorary Members and Permanent Representatives shall be known and designated simply as Permanent Representatives, and so indicated when referred to.

To amend Article IV, Section 1, of the Code, by repealing said Section 1 and enacting the following Section in lieu thereof:

SECTION 1. Each Temple shall elect its elective officers and representative, or representatives, by written ballot and by a majority vote in each case. Said election shall take place at the regular meeting held in January of each year. Each elective officer shall be elected separately and by a distinct ballot. The use of a blanket ballot for the election of officers is prohibited. If there is but one Representative to be elected the foregoing rule shall prevail. If the Temple is to elect more than one Representative all candidates for the office of Representative shall be balloted for on one ballot, and each member voting must vote for the total number of Representatives to be elected, otherwise his ballot can not be considered as a vote, except where a Permanent Representative has been previously elected by a Temple his name shall not appear on the ballot. A majority vote of those present and voting shall be necessary to elect each Representative. If on the first ballot one or more candidates shall receive a majority vote of those present and voting, he, or they, shall be declared elected. A ballot shall then be taken in the same manner until all the Representatives are elected. Blank ballots are not votes and shall not be considered as such.

To amend Article VI, Section 3, of the Code, by repealing said Section and enacting in lieu thereof the following, to be known as said Section 3:

The Potentate, Chief Rabban and Assistant Rabban can not resign after having been duly elected and installed, but upon the death of either of these officers, or of the permanent removal from the jurisdiction of the Imperial Council, or forfeiture through any cause of membership in the Order, a special election may be held to fill the vacancy, and any vacancy that may occur by virtue of any officer being promoted at such special election may be filled at such special election. A Dispensation for the special election above provided shall be secured from the Imperial Potentate. Any other officer of the Temple may resign his office. In the case of any vacancy in any elective office other than those named above, for any cause, such vacancy shall be filled by an election at the next regular meeting, or at a special meeting called by the Potentate for the purpose; in the event of a vacancy in an appointive office such vacancy may be filled by appointment by the Potentate of the Temple. No member can be forced to accept an election or appointment to an office.

To amend Article I of the Code by enacting the following Section, to be known as Section 13 of said Article:

All applications for dispensations for a new Temple shall have printed at the head thereof all the laws affecting the status of the member signing such application.

To amend Article V, Section 1, of the By-Laws by adding thereto "jurisdictional lines" after the word "accounts" in the fifth line of Section 1, so that when amended said first paragraph of said Section 1 shall read as follows:

The newly elected Imperial Potentate immediately before the close of each annual session of the Imperial Council shall appoint Standing Committees on Jurisprudence and Laws, on Dispensations and Charters, on Finance and Accounts, on Jurisdictional Lines and on Imperial Council Headquarters at annual session, all of which shall serve until the close of the next annual session of the Imperial Council. Should there be a vacancy in either of these committees caused by death, or otherwise, the Imperial Potentate shall fill the vacancy.

To amend Article V, Section 1, of the By-Laws, by adding the words "jurisdictional lines," after the word "accounts" in the third line of the fifth paragraph of said Section, so that when amended said Article V shall read as follows:

The chairman of each of the standing committees, namely, Jurisprudence and Laws, Dispensations and Charters, Finance and Accounts, Jurisdictional Lines and Imperial Council Headquarters at annual session shall be its executive officer during the recess of the Imperial Council and act for the Committee in all cases when it is not deemed advisable or convenient to call a meeting of the Committee, but during the session of the Imperial Council all Committees must act as a whole.

Resolved, That the Imperial Treasurer be and he is hereby empowered and directed to require and obtain a satisfactory bond, or a bond in some surety company, from all depositories of the funds

of the Imperial Council, including those of the Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children — said bond to be satisfactory to the Imperial Potentate.

Your Committee approves the recommendation of the Imperial Potentate (No. 19 of his report), confirming the issuance of General Order No. 6, recommending that all sums of money collected by the Temples for the account of the hospitals be remitted at once in accordance with the corrected auditor's report.

To amend Section 4, Article III, of the Constitution, by inserting after the word "causes" in line 7 thereof the words, "or for any other proper cause," and by omitting the words "or by the resignation of one or more Representatives after being elected" in lines 7 and 8 thereof, so that said Section when amended will read as follows:

SECTION 4. Any Representative of the Imperial Council who shall remove and reside permanently out of its jurisdiction, be suspended or expelled by a subordinate Temple, or found guilty of a felony or a criminal offense involving moral turpitude, or be adjudged mentally or become physically incompetent, shall thereby have vacated his office. If such a vacancy should occur from any of these causes, or for any other proper cause, a meeting of the Temple shall be called and the new Representative or Representatives elected in accordance with Article IV of the Code, and notice of the election of such Representative shall be forthwith sent to the Imperial Recorder, under the seal of the Temple.

To amend Article VI, Section 1, of the By-Laws, by adding thereto the following:

No Temple shall have a By-Law establishing Life Membership for a sum less than fifteen times the annual dues.

Be it Resolved, That the amendment to the By-Laws fixing the minimum dues at ten dollars per annum be made applicable and operative on and after January 1, 1926.

Be it Resolved, That Section 3, of Article VII of the By-Laws be amended so that said Section will read:

SECTION 3. Each Subordinate Temple shall pay annually to the Imperial Council, in accordance with its membership, the following sums:

For 100 members or less, twenty-five (\$25) dollars.

For all members over and above 100 members, twenty-five cents for each member.

For all members in good standing the sum of \$1.00 for the magazine; and such sums shall accompany the annual return of every Temple to the Imperial Council.

Whereas, The Imperial Council of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine has at this session adopted the report of the committee on the establishment of an official organ,

And, Whereas, It is necessary to define the plan under which said report and its recommendations may be carried out. Now therefore be it

Resolved, That there be selected at this session a Publication Committee of the Official Shrine Magazine to consist of seven members of the Imperial Council with full rights and privileges. Two of the members of said committee shall be the Imperial Potentate and the Deputy Imperial Potentate. The five other members shall be selected by the Imperial Potentate. At the beginning, one of these five members shall serve for one year; one, for two years; one, for three years; one, for four years; and one, for five years. Thereafter, at the annual meeting of the Imperial Council one member of said committee shall be elected by the Imperial Council to succeed the one whose term expires, for a term of five years and until his successor has been elected and qualified. Any member of said committee shall be eligible for reelection.

Said Publication Committee shall as soon as practicable meet and organize, and shall elect from its members a chairman, vice-chairman, and secretary, each of whom shall hold office for one year.

The said Publication Committee is vested with full authority to proceed in the purpose of establishing an Official Shrine Magazine and to do all things proper and necessary to accomplish said purpose.

Said Publication Committee is hereby empowered to employ persons competent to fully develop and carry out the projects and purposes of said magazine.

The Publication Committee shall exercise general supervision over the enterprise, shall determine the editorial policy, name, size, style and quality, place of publication, advertising policy and rates; establish and maintain offices, appoint and fix the salaries of a business manager and editorial staff, and do all other things necessary or convenient in the establishing and publishing of the Official Shrine Magazine.

There shall be set aside a maximum sum of \$50,000 for the use of the Publication Committee in the preliminary work in



organizing and coordinating the editorial, advertising and art departments, and the publicity necessary in preparing the field for the new publication.

Said magazine shall be under the direction and control of the Imperial Council, and shall be mailed to every Noble of the Order in good standing. Each Temple of the Order shall upon request furnish the said Publication Committee a complete roster of its membership and shall keep the same up-to-date by supplying promptly all changes of addresses and the names of all Nobles created, together with their addresses, immediately upon such creation being made.

The subscription to the magazine shall be fixed at \$1.00 per year for members, and this sum shall be paid by each member in the form of an annual per capita tax, to be collected by the Recorder of each Temple through the annual dues, and shall be forwarded to the Imperial Recorder at the same time, and in the same manner, as is the present per capita tax.

*Be it Resolved*, That the form of petition set forth on page 75 of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Imperial Council be amended by inserting between the lines beginning "Date of birth" and "Profession or occupation," the following two lines:

Member of.....Lodge No.....

located at.....

Member of.....Chapter No.....

located at.....

The twenty-eight decisions of the Imperial Potentate were found to be good law as set forth in his report, with the exception of his answer to Question No. IX, where it is evident that the printer did not follow his copy.

This answer was in explanation of the last paragraph of Section 4, of Article XIII, of the Code, which says: "No Temple shall carry a member on its books who is more than two years in arrears of dues, without taking some action thereon. In answering the question the Imperial Potentate said, "If no remission is made it is then necessary to suspend delinquent Nobles or grant them further time." The last five words were left out by the printer, thus creating the impression that suspension must be made if a Noble is "more than two years in arrears of dues." This is not the law, as he can be granted further time. The law says that some action must be taken, but does not prescribe what action must be taken.


The Fifty-Second Annual Session of the Imperial Council will be held in Philadelphia, Pa., June 1, 2 and 3, 1926.

It is ordered that this General Order be read at the head of each Temple at the first regular session after its receipt and record made of the same upon the record of the session at which it is read.

Given under our hands and the seal of the Imperial Council this twentieth day of June, A. D., 1925.



Imperial Potentate.



Imperial Recorder.



*Dear Nobles:*

You will note the various changes in laws borne on this notice—changes made by the Imperial Council. The one in regard to increase in dues, your representatives voted against the measure, but the majority needed the increase and got it.



## Life Membership

Life Membership is now fifteen times the annual dues. Any member can obtain Life Membership until Dec. 31, 1925, for \$75.

*Take due Notice—after that date \$150.*



## Dues

Your due bill for 1926 is enclosed—don't throw away with your envelope.



**A**LEPPO TEMPLE will be honored at this session by an official visit by Ill. JAMES C. BURGER, the Imperial Potentate, and other Officers of the Imperial Council.

Noble JAMES C. BURGER was born in New York City, New York, November 21, 1866, of Holland Dutch and Scotch parentage.

Educated at Trinity Church School, in New York City. Migrated to Denver, Colorado, in 1894. Became active in civic, social and religious organizations and an active club member of the city of Denver, having served in the capacity of president of a number of these organizations. Elected to Colorado State Legislature as State Senator, representing the First Senatorial District of Colorado from 1907 to 1911, embracing the city of Denver. Nominated twice for member of Congress.

Entered the banking business in 1907. Elected president of the Union Deposit and Trust Company of Denver and cashier of the Hamilton National Bank of Denver in 1910; vice-president in 1914, and president in 1916. Elected vice-president of the combined Hamilton and Denver National Banks in 1924.

Became a Master Mason at Nashua, New Hampshire, in 1888, Ancient York Lodge, No. 89; Past

Commander of Coronal Commandery, No. 36, Knights Templar, Denver, Colorado; Grand Junior Warden of Grand Commandery of the State of Colorado; 32d Degree Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Mason; Orator of Delta Lodge of Perfection, Denver, Colorado; Past Potentate of El Jebel Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., Denver, Colorado; Past Sovereign Red Cross of Constantine.

Active in all Masonic Bodies and elected and advanced through the several chairs. Elected Imperial Outer Guard of the Imperial Council of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine at Buffalo, New York, in 1916, and was elected Imperial Potentate at Los Angeles, California, in June, 1925.

His position in the commercial world has given him a knowledge of men, and while he held the lower offices in the Imperial Council, the appreciation of his work and merit have resulted in his election to the highest office in the gift of the Imperial Council.

Let us show to this Ill. Noble that Aleppo Temple appreciates his visit, and when he departs, may his visit be to him as well as to the Nobles of Aleppo Temple an epoch long to be remembered.



## *Here's Returns from Your Two Dollar Assessment*

Lee Miller, a crippled boy from California who had never walked a step in his life or even sat erect, electrified the representatives to the Imperial Council of the Shrine at Los Angeles early in June, when he walked from the wings of the theatre into the center of the stage on his hands and with his legs waving in the air. Then he turned over and walked on his feet, as straight as anybody, and made a little speech of thanks to the Shriners, whose great charity had made him whole. There were cheers and tears, for hardly a man in the big hall could keep his eyes dry.

Lee was one of the several "exhibits" of the San Francisco Unit of the Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children. He was preceded by a number of children who had crawled into the hospital and been so successfully treated by the skilled surgeons of the Shrine that they now walk "like other children," which is the seventh heaven of the crippled child.

John D. McGilvray, a member of the Board of Trustees of the Shriners' Hospitals and chairman in charge of the San Francisco Unit, spoke briefly of the hospital work and introduced Dr. Walter I. Baldwin, the chief surgeon there, Mrs. Gertrude Folendorf, the superintendent, and several members of the hospital staff. Then the moving pictures of the hospital were shown, children pitifully twisted and deformed by disease, and then the same children after

they had been treated in the hospital. At the close of each picture the stage lights were turned on and the children in person came from the wings to bow to the audience. One little girl who had never walked until a few months ago gave an exhibition of gymnastic exercises, winding up by turning a handspring.

The greatest cheering of the Imperial Council session went up as the children appeared, and Nobles of the Imperial Divan on the stage caught them up and kissed them. The motion pictures showed almost unbelievable cases of treatment in the hospitals, one especially of an Indian girl from a California tribe whose twisted hips had been straightened until she walks with hardly a limp. It was pointed out that the cases shown were just types of more than 5,000 children who had received treatment in the chain of Shriners' Hospitals.

But ask the happy boys and girls who used to limp or crawl; the crippled children of the poor, who had no chance at all! Ask them who saw their twisted limbs and made them strong and straight; who gave them a new start in life, saved from a cruel fate? Ask them what means the crescent pin, that jeweled "badge of fun." They'll tell you of a man-sized job these Shriner boys have done.